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LONDON FOR SEITZ

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PEPR, XH, GH
SUBJ: GHANA DENIES IT IS TURNING TO THE EAST

REF: (A) ACCRA 2701; (B) BUCHAREST 3005

1. RETURNING FROM VISIT TO FIVE EASTERN EUROPE COUNTRIES (REF A), COMMISSIONER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS R.J.A. FELLI TOLD BBC IN LONDON INTERVIEW THAT HE WAS SURPRISED AT SPECULATION IN UK THAT GHANA IS "GOING EAST." FELLI SAID THAT WHEN HE TOURED FIVE WESTERN COUNTRIES LAST YEAR, THERE HAD BEEN NO TALK THAT HIS COUNTRY WAS TURNING TO THE WEST. HE STRESSED THAT GHANA'S FOREIGN POLICY CONTINUES TO BE ONE OF "POSITIVE NEUTRALITY" AND THAT GOG IS NEITHER PRO-EAST NOR PRO-WEST. HE EXPLAINED EASTERN EUROPEAN TRIP WAS GOODWILL VISIT TO BALANCE EARLIER TOUR TO THE WEST. FELLI DENIED THAT HE HAD PURCHASED ANY ARMS DURING HIS VISIT TO EASTERN EUROPE.

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2. COMMENT: REF B MENTIONS THAT WHEN FELLI MET WITH ROMANIAN DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENSE, THEY MAY HAVE DISCUSSED SALE OF SMALL ARMS OR AMMUNITION TO GHANA. WE CANNOT CONFIRM THIS. ROMANIA PROVIDED 40 TRUCKS TO GHANA'S ARMY IN THE EARLY 1960'S BUT WE HAVE NO RECORD OF ANY MILITARY DELIVERIES SINCE THEN. SMITH

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